

Karen MacDonald

Throughout her successful career, Karen has demonstrated a strong ability to lead, to find innovative solutions, and demonstrate the utmost in human resources competency and professionalism. Her career progression has spanned private and public organizations, and at each she has made a lasting impact.

Over the years, Karen has held various positions within companies and organizations in the field of human resources. Her experience ranges from an entry level position to her current role of Vice President of People and Culture for Mazergroup. Each position she held has been used as a steppingstone as a lifelong learner. Her dedication to the field of Human Resources has evolved while along the way she continues to show all of us that you never stop learning and that education is a vital part of lifelong learning.

Karen is passionate and creative, and is always willing to roll up her sleeves when the work needs to get done. She is an avid proponent of the HR profession, sitting on numerous committees and task forces supporting the HR profession and employment initiatives in the Westman Area. Notably, Karen has been highly involved with CPHR Manitoba, including being a founding member of the Westman Chapter. She was also on the Board of Directors for the Chamber of Commerce, and chaired the Workforce Development Committee.

What sets her apart from others is that regardless of how busy she is, her door is always open. She listens, and she is available for everyone. Karen's influence and guidance has been instrumental in her being the driving force to change the culture companies she is with. Her leadership shifts the focus away from strictly a business aspect to now one that puts people and community first.

A graduate of the Business Administration program in 1989, Karen continues to be an ambassador for Assiniboine Community College. When looking to the college's organizational values – be passionate, take initiative, and deliver results – these words perfectly describe the body of work that Karen has demonstrated throughout her career.